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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director, Support

THROUGH: Office of Security and General Counsel

SUBJECT: Installation of Air Conditioning

1. This memorandum contains a recommendation submitted for DD/S approval. Such recommendation is contained in paragraph 2.

2. In confirmation of previous informal discussions with your office, approval is requested for the installation of air conditioning at the [REDACTED] covert site. In view of the extremely sensitive nature of the operational program now being conducted by [REDACTED], it is mandatory that maximum security measures be taken for the protection of classified material and information. Your attention is invited to the attached pictures of the subject building which show that the windows are not screened and, in fact, that the physical structure of the building does not lend itself to installation of screens.

3. As you were informed, during the periods of extreme heat recently experienced, open windows and fans were constantly necessary with the accompanying hazards of penetration and of sensitive operational documents being scattered in the vicinity of [REDACTED]. As you know, the Office of Security [REDACTED] prior to the occupancy of buildings in the metropolitan area. In approving the site, the Director of Security stated in pertinent part as follows: "The property is very susceptible to penetration because of the large number of windows on each floor and because the roofs of adjacent buildings make contact with the subject building at window level." The [REDACTED] further called attention to the fact that some of the residents of the neighborhood have belonged to organizations cited for doubtful loyalty.

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5. In view of the foregoing, it is the opinion of this office that from a cover and security standpoint the installation of air conditioning is an essential safeguard which will ensure a greater degree of physical protection compatible with [REDACTED] operational requirements.

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6. It would be appreciated if Exhibits A, B, and C could be returned as they are the only pictures of this type available at the present time.

7. This paper recommends approval for installation of air-conditioning at [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]
Chief, SR

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Enclosures: 1. Exhibit A
2. Exhibit B
3. Exhibit C

CONCURRENCE:

* See attached memorandum

Director of Security

General Counsel

The recommendation in paragraph 2 is approved.

Lawrence K. White
Deputy Director, Support

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